MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*):

Total number of members 25.

Brahmins	...	4
Nairs	...	7
Christians	...	7
Europeans	...	2
Anglo-Indian	...	1
Ezhava	...	1
Vellala	...	1
Mudaliar	...	1
Kshatriya	...	1

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know why all the communities are not represented in the Text-Book Committee?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): That question has already been answered several times in the course of this session.

Conversion of Putherikandam into a garden.

341. *MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is a proposal to convert the Putherikandam fields into a garden:

(*b*) when this idea originated and

(*c*) whether the Trivandrum Municipality had addressed the Government urging the need and desirability of converting these fields into a park?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) In 1928.

(*c*) Yes.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know whether any action has been taken?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): Yes.

Selection of Muslim candidates for the Engineering College Madras.

342. *MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how many Muslims have applied this year (1109) for selection to the Madras Engineering College and

(*b*) how many were admitted?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) 20th May 1934 has been fixed as the final date for sending applications for selection to the Madras Engineering College and the selection of candidates will be made only hereafter.

(*b*) This does not arise in view of the answer to (*a*).

Tank on the north of Navaikulam Temple.

343. *MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

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